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SUBJECT: PRAVDA ARTICLE ATTACKS U.S. AMBASSADORS' CONFERENCE
IN ABIDJAN

1. EMBASSY WISHES TO DRAW TO ATTENTION OF DEPARTMENT,
SHORT, BUT VICIOUS, TASS COTONOU ARTICLE INMAY 11 PRAVDA
ON SUBJECT OF ABIDJAN CONFERENCE OF U.S. AMBASSADORS.

2. ARTICLE SAYS PURPOSE OF CONFERENCE - HELD IN CONDITIONS
OF "STRICTEST SECRECY" - IS TO EXAMINE METHODS TO MAINTAIN
POSITION OF U.S. IMPERIALISM IN AFRICA PARTICULARLY
IN LIGHT OF SUCCESS OF NATIONAL-LIBERATION MOVEMENTS IN
SOUTHERN AFRICA. RECENT CONGRESSIONAL TESTIMONY BY
GENERAL BROWN ON U.S. ACCESS TO AFRICAN RAW MATERIALS IS
LINKED WITH SCHAUFELER STATEMENT IN ABIDJAN ON U.S. INTEN-
TION TO BRING ABOUT "STABILIZATION" ON AFRICAN CONTINENT.
STABILIZATION, SAYS ARTICLE, MEANS WASHINGTON WILL NOT
LET AFRICAN PEOPLE TEAR THEMSELVES AWAY FROM IMPERIALISTIC,
COLONIAL, AND RACIST PATHS. IT ALSO COVERS CURRENT
ATTEMPTS BY WESTERN COUNTRIES, LED BY U.S., TO
PUT PUPPET GOVERNMENTS IN POWER IN RHODESIA AND
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NAMIBIA IN ORDER TO PRESERVE COMMAND POSITION IN
ECONOMY AND POLITICAL LIFE FOR RACIST MINORITY.

3. WASHINGTON IS NOW, SAYS ARTICLE, WORKING OUT A "QUICK
REACTION MECHANISM" TO THOSE EVENTS IN AFRICA WHICH
THREATEN ITS MERCENARY INTERESTS. AN EXAMPLE IS
U.S. INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL CONFLICT IN ZAIRE WHICH

IS DESIGNED TO (1) CONTINUE IMPERIALISTIC PLUNDERING
OF ZAIRIAN NATURAL RESOURCES AND, (2) TO TRANSFORM ZAIRE
INTO A BEACHHEAD FOR AGGRESSIVE INTRIGUES AGAINST
ANGOLA.

4. ARTICLE CONCLUDES BY SAYING THAT, SIDE BY SIDE WITH
THIS ENORMOUS ATTENTION (TO AFRICA) IN CURRENT U.S.
STRATEGY, INCREASED SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY AGAINST
PROGRESSIVE AFRICAN COUNTRIES IS BEING CARRIED OUT.
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